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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO

In re:

FRANK L. CHAPIN and SYDNEY L. GUTTERREZ-CHAPIN,

Debtors.

NO. 02-20218

DECLARATION OF DR. FREDERICK A. LEAF

- I, Frederick A. Leaf, under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a creditor of the Debtors in this proceeding and make this Declaration based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I have reviewed the contents of the Motion for Order Clarifying the Inapplicability of the Automatic Stay and the Declaration of John R. Rizzardi. All facts stated therein are true and correct.
- 3. As the court knows, I attempted to obtain confirmation of a creditor's plan of reorganization in the Chapter 11 proceeding. I was unable to do so due to the Debtors' failure to file their income tax returns. Due to their failure to account for certain funds, sale of estate assets without court permission, and failure to file tax returns, this court granted my motion for conversion.

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